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| Title:           | CONTROL OF INTER-ZONE/INTRA-ZONE RECOVERY<br>USING IN-BAND COMMUNICATIONS |                   |                  |
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**AMENDMENT AND REMARKS ACCOMPANYING RCE**

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated April 18, 2007, which had a three-month shortened statutory period for reply, and the subsequent Advisory Action dated June 26, 2007. Accompanying this response is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a two-month extension of time, setting a new period for reply that ends on September 18, 2007. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on **page 2**.

Remarks begin on **page 38**.